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UNIVERSITY COUNCIL MINUTES

DATE: October 15, 1969

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MEMBERS PRESENT

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| 1. Richard Bond | 6. Frederick Fuess | 11. Eric Johnson | 16. Warren Perry |
| 2. Samuel Braden | 7. Charles Gray | 12. Frederick Kagy | 17. Milton Weisbecker |
| 3. Scott Eatherly | 8. Barbara Hall | 13. Walter Kohn | 18. Joseph Wilson |
| 4. Elwood Egelston | 9. Charles Hicklin | 14. Thomas Martin | 19. William Zeller |
| 5. John Ferrell | 10. Richard Hulet | 15. Charles Morris | |

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Charles Hicklin, Chairman of the University Council, called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. in Room 401 of Stevenson Hall.

Mr. Kohn moved that the minutes of the October 1, 1969, meeting be approved as distributed.
Mr. Egelston seconded the motion.

Mr. Gray pointed out that he did not second the motion to approve the minutes as he did not attend the meeting. The seconder was Mr. Kagy rather than Mr. Gray.

The motion to approve the minutes (as corrected) carried unanimously.

STATEMENT ON THE FUNCTIONS AND POLICIES OF THE HONORS COUNCIL

Mr. Sands called the attention to the report circulated by the Honors Council. He called particular attention to the following recommendations:

1. That questions of Honors in a discipline be assigned to the Honors Council.
All other designations on the diploma and transcript be assigned to the Academic Standards Committee.
2. That designation of Departmental Honors Courses and Honors programs be assigned to the Honors Council.

Mr. Kohn moved that the council adopt parts 1 and 2 as listed on page 7 of the report (recommendations listed above). Mr. Bond seconded the motion.

Mr. Sands was asked if there was need for immediate action by the Council. He replied that there were a few students who would qualify to graduate with Honors in a discipline this spring. Mr. Sands was also asked if the Committee on Committees and the Academic Standards Committee had been consulted. He stated that this was a statement drafted by the Honors Council and that other Committees had not been consulted. Some members of the Council felt that reactions should be received from the above Committees before action was taken.

Mr. Zeller moved to postpone action on the motion until the next meeting. Mr. Eatherly seconded the motion. The voting was as follows:

<u>Voting "Yes"</u>		<u>Voting "No"</u>	<u>Voting "Present"</u>
Samuel Braden	Eric Johnson	Walter Kohn	Richard Bond
Scott Eatherly	Frederick Kagy		Charles Hicklin
Elwood Egelston	Thomas Martin		
John Ferrell	Charles Morris		
Frederick Fuess	Warren Perry		
Charles Gray	Milton Weisbecker		
Barbara Hall	Joseph Wilson		
Richard Hulet	William Zeller		

The motion carried.

Chairman Hicklin charged Mr. Zeller with the responsibility of communicating the concern of the Council to the Academic Standards Committee. Mr. Sutherland was given a similar charge with respect to the Committee on Committees.

Mr. Eatherly moved to accept the report of the Honors Council. Mr. Kagy seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

REPORT REGARDING EWING BEQUEST.

Mr. Sands gave a brief description of the residence of the late Mrs. Hazel Buck Ewing and the provisions of her will with regard to her bequest to Illinois State University. He reported that this item was brought to the Council for information only and that a statement similar to the one circulated would be presented to the Board of Regents at its next meeting. The statement was as follows:

The late Mrs. Hazel Buck Ewing has bequeathed to the University in trust her residence on Towanda Avenue, the "Castle," and the income from a \$200,000 trust fund. Under the terms of the will both the residence and the income from the trust fund are to be used for the establishment and maintenance of a "School of Nations Museum."

Mrs. Ewing's concern was to promote international understanding and comity and the concept of a School of Nations Museum was conceived as a means to those ends.

We will recommend to the Board of Regents that the University accept Mrs. Ewing's gift with the intention of carrying out the terms of the bequest. We believe the bequest offers an opportunity to expand and refine our international education programs. We will attempt to establish a living museum, one that will promote international understanding by presenting meaningful samples of foreign cultures; by encouraging programs

which will produce collections, displays, monographs, lectures; by sponsoring programs which will provide cross-cultural contacts among students, faculty, and leaders of the community. In this way the Museum will serve as an adjunct to the academic program of the University and in turn to many and varied activities of the Departments and Colleges of the University.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Mr. Sutherland, Chairman of the Committee on Committees, reviewed the action of this Committee which included an evaluation of existing Committees and a review of questionnaires. He reported that this report was passed unanimously by the Committee on Committees. However, he did circulate a supplement from Mr. George Collins, student member of the Committee on Committees in which Mr. Collins stated that he was unable to attend the meeting concerned with the evaluation of the Homecoming Board and that he felt the Board, in its present form, serves a valuable function.

There was considerable discussion of the report. Among points discussed were: (1) voting privileges of administrators (IV. 2); (2) faculty-student ratios on committees; (3) membership of specific committees; and (4) methods by which students will be guaranteed input into the administrative office which would assume the function of some committees.

A copy of the report is attached. Additional copies are available from the Secretary.

Mr. Hulet moved that the Council receive, with thanks, the Report of the Committee on Committees to the University Council regarding the Committee and the Board structure of Illinois State University and that:

1. Members of the Council should be invited to submit to the Committee on Committees their reactions and that the Committee on Committees:
2. Circulate the report to effected Boards for their reactions and further that:
3. The Committee on Committees should try to return to the Council with an amended report for the November 19th meeting.

Mr. Eatherly seconded the motion.

The motion passed with no negative votes and with Mr. Perry and Mr. Zeller abstaining.

Mr. Sutherland requested guidance from the Council with respect to making new appointments to committees, especially those committees which have been recommended for abolishment. The Council took no action on this matter.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE CHANGES

Mr. Hogan, Chairman of the Curriculum Committee reported that his committee had not reacted to the recommendations of the Committee on Committees and that a sub-committee

of the Curriculum Committee had drafted a proposal which was somewhat parallel to the functions recommended by the Committee on Committees.

Mr. Ferrell moved that this item be postponed until the Committee on Committees makes its second report. Miss Hall seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION OF THE POLICY ON REPETITION OF COURSES

Mr. Paul Wisdom reported that the Admissions Office had requested clarification on the status of the policy on repetition of courses. It was his understanding that the Academic Standards Committee had recommended that the policy be held in abeyance until it could be studied further. Mr. Wisdom reported that acceptance of some transfer students was dependent on the status of the policy.

There was some discussion with regard to the memo of July 16, 1969, from Mr. Bond. At that time, Mr. Bond suggested that the Council re-examine its position. The Executive Committee of the Council felt that since this policy would not influence students' grade point averages until spring, that consideration could be delayed. The Council was also informed that the Academic Standards Committee was re-examining the policy.

It was agreed that Mr. Hulet would take care of the problem of admissions and that the Academic Standards Committee would continue to study the problem.

COMMUNICATIONS

Student Code Enforcement and Review Board

A memo from the Student Code Enforcement and Review Board was circulated. The Student Code Enforcement and Review Board had reviewed the regulations concerning open house and guest hours and maintained that the wording of the regulation was ambiguous. Thus, SCERB has requested that the Student Housing Board review the policy and strive to eliminate the ambiguities.

Mr. Hulet described the conditions leading up to the moratorium on guest hours. He emphasized that the moratorium was not imposed because the University had lost faith in student self-governance. The main concern of the University was to protect the rights of all students, and it appeared that in certain instances these rights had been denied.

College of Fine Arts Bylaws

Mr. Hicklin reported that a memo had been received from the Dean of the College of Fine Arts. He informed the Council that the College of Fine Arts was in the process of electing a new College Council and that when the new Council was seated they would review the APT procedures and proxy membership.

Guidelines for the Laboratory School

President Braden circulated the guidelines which he had presented in his October 14, 1969, State of the University Speech. Mr. Braden suggested that the Council discuss these guidelines at a later date.

House Bill #1894

President Braden reported that in accordance with House Bill #1894, the University must have a policy on Demonstrations by November 1, 1969. He felt that we already have the major portion of a policy in other documents and would like to pull these statements together and present them to the Board of Regents on October 21. He suggested that the Chairman of the Council appoint several Council members to review the policy before it was submitted.

Mr. Hicklin asked for permission to consider this item. The Council agreed unanimously.

Mr. Eatherly moved that the Chairman appoint a committee of four to consider the policy.
Mr. Kohn seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hicklin appointed Mr. Ferrell, Mr. Kohn, Mr. Martin, and Mr. Morris.

Disability Insurance

Mr. Bond reported that only 378 faculty members had reported an interest in the insurance plan. Since the insurance company requested 500 members, it appears that there is not sufficient interest on this campus. Mr. Bond stated that he would investigate the possibility of a joint policy with Northern.

Selection Committee for the History Department

Mr. Bond informed the Council that Mr. Champagne had requested that he be relieved of the Chairmanship and return to teaching. Mr. Bond reported the appointment of the following selection committee:

Chairman:	Mr. V. Pohlman
Administrative Representative:	Mr. S. Shuman
Department Representative:	Mr. L. M. Simms
Department Representative:	Mr. G. Homan
Department Representative:	Mr. M. Plummer

AAUP Compensation Grades for ISU

Mr. Bond distributed a copy of the 1969-70 compensation grades which Mr. Stan Wilkins

had prepared for AAUP. He called attention to the fact that there was little change in the scale (AA, A, B, etc.) but that Illinois State University was very close to the AA scale for the Instructor and Assistant Professor ranks.

House Bill #98

Mr. Bond reported that in compliance with House Bill #98, a policy with regard to reasearch grants and outside compensation was being formulated. Guidelines for the implementation of this policy will be sent to the Council in the near future.

Internal Communication Among the Faculty

Attention was called to the fact that some communications from faculty members have been paid for from academic budgets. It was also reported that there had been objections voiced to the use of the University Mail Service to circulate unsigned materials. Several members of the Council felt that a policy statement should be developed to clarify the issue. The Executive Committee of the Council was charged with the responsibility of investigating this question and making appropriate recommendations to the Council.

Council Retreat

Mr. Gray reported that the topic of the Retreat would be the ISU Constitution. Since a referendum will probably be held prior to the Retreat, the specific nature of the Retreat will depend on the outcome of the referendum.

Letter of Resignation

Mr. Hicklin read a letter in which Mr. Weisbecker submitted his resignation from the Council.

Mr. Hicklin requested permission to act on the resignation. There were no objections.

Mr. Kohn moved that the Council accept Mr. Weisbecker's resignation with regrets.
Mr. Braden seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hicklin reported that, in accordance with the By-Laws, Mr. Keely would be appointed to serve until the next regular election.

Board of Regents Meeting

President Braden reminded the Council that the Board of Regents would meet at ISU on October 21. At that time the operating budget would be presented.

Executive Session

Mr. Johnson moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 11 : 52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Hicklin, Chairman
Frederick Fuess, Secretary